IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE,

ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

WEDNESDAY, THE TWENTY SEVENTH DAY OF OCTOBER
TWO THOUSAND AND FOUR

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE J.CHELAMESWAR

And
THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE GODA RAGHURAM

WRIT PETITION NO : 15968 of 2004

Between:

1. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
2. The District Collector, Vizianagaram.
3. The Joint Collector, Vizianagaram
4. The Sub Collector, Parvathipruam
5. The Mandal Revenue Officer, Therlam.

..... PETITIONERS

AND

Sri Ch.V.Raman Murthy Ex.V.O. (Dismissed), Sundarada Village, Therlam (M) Vizianagaram District.

.....RESPONDENT

Petition under Article 226 of the constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court will be pleased to issue a writ, order or direction more particularly one in the nature writ of Certiorari and calling for the records relating to the order passed in L.A.C No.1545/99 dt.24.4.2001 on the file of Hon'ble A.P. Administrative Tribunal, Hyderabad and

quash the same as illegal, arbitrary.

Counsel for the Petitioners:GP FOR SERVICES II

Counsel for the Respondent No.: None appeared.

The Court at the stage of admission made the following:

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ORAL ORDER:

(Per the Hon'ble Sri Justice J.Chelameswar)

The writ petition is filed with the prayer as follows:

"For the reasons stated in the accompanying affidavit, the petitioners herein pray that this Hon'ble Court may be pleased to issue a Writ, Order or direction more particularly one in the nature writ of "Certiorari" and calling for the records relating to the order passed in L.A.C.No.93/2001 in O.A.No.1545/99 dt.24.4.2001 on the file of Hon'ble A.P.Administrative Tribunal, Hyderabad and quash the same as illegal, arbitrary and pass suchother order or orders as deemed fit and proper in the circumstances of the case."

From the prayer it is clear that the subject matter of challenge in the writ petition is an order of the A.P. Administrative Tribunal in O.A.No.1545 of 1999, dated 24-04-2001. Almost three and half years later the State want to challenge the said order in the present writ petition. There is no satisfactory explanation whatsoever for the above mentioned delay.

In the circumstances, we are of the opinion that the matter is barred by latches and is liable to be dismissed.

Accordingly, the writ petition is dismissed at the stage of admission. No costs.

J.Chelameswar, J

Goda Raghuram, J

27th October, 2004.

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To

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